

OHIO ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE INCENTIVES AND LAWS

Overview

The State of Ohio does not offer any incentives for alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs). Several Ohio utilities support AFV programs.

State Incentives

At the time of publication, Ohio did not offer incentives for AFVs other than an income tax credit for 10% ethanol by volume (E10). For more information, contact Jeff Westhoven at the Ohio Office of Administrative Services at (614) 466-4525.

Utility/Private Incentives

Cincinnati Gas & Electric will provide a slow-fill station on site at no charge for a fuel price of 79.9¢/gge. Cincinnati Gas & Electric offers a Fuelmaker refueling appliance lease for pilot programs, station construction assistance, technical help, and vehicle conversion training. Cincinnati Gas & Electric offers technical assistance for electric vehicle (EV) technology and conversions. For more information, contact Bob Hallas at (513) 287-3957.

East Ohio Gas offers CNG station financing, construction management, temporary refueling facilities for up to two years, technical assistance, and vehicle conversion training. The natural gas refueling stations that East Ohio Gas uses for its fleet are accessible to the public. If a fleet customer is converting enough vehicles to natural gas, East Ohio Gas will build and operate a fueling station at the customer's site. Contact Tim Roshetko at (216) 736-6740 for more information.

The National Ethanol Vehicle Coalition (NEVC) is an ad hoc group created by the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) and the Governors' Ethanol Coalition (GEC) to establish a national program to promote the use of 85% ethanol fuel (E85) as an alternative fuel, enhance agricultural profitability, advance environmental stewardship, and further national energy independence. Through a cooperative effort with the NCGA and its state affiliates, the GEC, state energy offices, and the U.S. Department of Energy, NEVC provides forgivable loans for the installation of public E85 fueling facilities. For more information, contact Phil Lampert at (573) 635-8445 or Sandy Hentges at (573) 636-8590.

Laws & Regulations

The state provides a 1¢/gallon income tax credit for sale of E10, with a maximum of \$15 million per year.

In 1990, the Governor signed legislation directing fleets of 3 state agencies to use E10 whenever possible.

Under the requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPACT), the Ohio Department of Transportation has initiated a CNG pilot project in Cleveland involving 20 pickup trucks.

Under House Bill 201 (1992), Ohio has established an Alternative Fuels Advisory Council to evaluate the use of alternative fuels in the state. The council has completed a report; contact Gordon Proctor at (614) 644-7085 to request a copy.

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